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**on**  
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**EXTENDED DEADLINES**

- Abstract submission: May 25, 2019**
- Intimation of acceptance of abstract: May 31, 2019**
- Paper submission: June 30, 2019**
- Registration begins: February 11, 2019**
- Last date for registration: June 15, 2019**

## **Theme of the Conference**

Social unrest tends to rage across the globe in many forms, hindering or slowing down the prospect of peace and development. For instance, many human groups have been experiencing violence and unrest in the form of ethnic cleansing and genocide, prompting large-scale exodus of population in desperate search for a safer place to stay on. Again, people from the 'developing world' are entering into the space of the developed countries, particularly Europe, challenging the 'nationalist' oriented political parties and their governments, sparking hot debates among the various bodies and interest groups including governments and non-governmental organizations with differing value systems and ideologies. The increasing nationalist populism has led to hostile reception to international migrants, particularly threatening the lives of vulnerable groups. Even within the boundary of the nation-state, social unrest is caused by the issues such as price-hike, population growth, election-rigging, violence, and many other discontents and disquiet cutting across class, gender, region and religion. At the same time, efforts towards peace and conflict resolution have also been underway from the very moment of the fomenting of the social unrest. The present globalized world emphasizes conflict resolution, especially because social stability is seen as fundamental for achieving Sustainable Development Goals. Yet, these endeavours have manifold trajectories with such variables as the history of the nation-state, the nature of the government and political parties and inter-state relations, giving rise to the regional and geo-political dimensions to the issues of social unrest, peace and development.

This international conference looks at the challenges of peace and explores future possibilities of peace and development through addressing the threats posed by social unrest. The speakers in the conference will share their views and opinions to press for uniform agenda and thus to contribute to building peace and achieving the targeted developments.

The sub-themes of the international conference include, though by no means limited to:

1. Civil wars, refugees and social unrest
2. Economic disparity and its implications for peace and development
3. Population growth and social unrest
4. Globalization, migration and challenges towards peace and development
5. Gender inequality, violence, peace and development
6. Disaster management and the ecology of peace and development
7. Peace, education, social enterprise and sustainable development
8. Social unrest, peace and political process
9. NGOs in conflict resolution, peace and development
10. Role of youth in unrest, peace building and local & national development
11. Ethno-religiosity, social unrest, peace and development
12. ICTs in conflict resolution, peace and development
13. Role of CSR in realizing SDG
14. Any other relevant issues/themes

## Abstract Submission Details

Applicants are advised to submit abstracts (in English) through E-mail attachment as a word document to: [icsdap7.iub@gmail.com](mailto:icsdap7.iub@gmail.com) by **May 25, 2019**. Abstracts should be in Microsoft Word, Times New Roman, 12 point font size. Abstract submission should include: (a) Presenter details (names, addresses, mobile numbers and email id), (b) Title (not exceeding 15 words), (c) Abstract (between 200-250 words), (d) Keywords (4 to 5) and (e) References (APA style).

## Registration Fees & Procedure

The registration fees will be (BDT) 1000/- Taka, 1500/- Taka and 2000/- Taka for the student, NGO personnel and faculty member respectively in case of local participants of Bangladesh. This will include seminar kits, tea-snacks, and meals. For the foreign delegates, the fees will be 80 USD, 90 USD, and 200 USD for students of SAARC countries, faculty of SAARC countries and other foreign delegates, respectively. For the foreign delegates, registration fee will include seminar kits, tea-snacks, meals and accommodation for three nights on the campus. After intimation of acceptance of abstract, participants have to do registration. Registration will be done only through online by paying required fees in the bank account given in the registration form. Having completed payment, filled up registration form and payment transaction receipt must be sent through email id: [icsdap7.iub@gmail.com](mailto:icsdap7.iub@gmail.com) to the organiser.

## Venue, Route Direction and Important Places for Visit

The venue of the conference is Islamic University Bangladesh at Kushtia district. It is around four hours' road journey from Dhaka, but may take more time due to traffic jam. The nearest airport Jessore is around 70 km from the university campus. The international participants may come to Dhaka by any flight. From Dhaka, they may take a domestic flight to Jessore (Bangladesh Biman, US-Bangla, United and Regent are some of the domestic airlines). Then, participants may come to Islamic University Campus by road journey (around 70 Km). However, on prior intimation, arrangements will be made to pick up from the Jessore airport. The core event will take place at Birshrestho Hamidur Rahman Auditorium and will be followed by a field visit to Shelaidah (34 km), the one-time residence of the Nobel laureate Rabindranath Tagore, and Cheuria, renowned for its association with the internationally acclaimed mystic poet and singer Lalon Shah (26 km).

## Key Contacts

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## Important Conference Speakers

### Keynote Speaker



**Manohar Pawar, PhD**, is Professor of Social Work, Charles Sturt University, Australia, and the President of the International Consortium for Social Development. His interests and publications include: *Empowering Social Workers: Virtuous Practitioners* (co-edited, Springer, 2017); *Future Directions in Social Development* (co-edited, Palgrave Macmillan, 2017); *Social and Community Development Practice* (Sage, 2014); *Reflective Social Work Practice* (Cambridge University, 2015); *Water and Social Policy* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2014); and *International Social Work* (2nd edition, Sage, 2013). Recently, he has received 'Life Time Achievement' and 'Social Work Educator' awards.

### Confirmed Presenters



**Professor Abdul Mannan** is a Bangladeshi is the current Chairman of University Grants Commission (UGC) of Bangladesh. Prof. Mannan earned his master's in Management from the University of Dhaka in 1972. After joining the Business School of the University of Chittagong in 1973, he completed his graduate and post graduate studies from the University of Hawaii and the Miami University under the East West Center, US Government Fellowship. Later on he attended the Ohio State University and London School of Economics under a World Bank Fellowship. He served as the Vice-chancellor of the University of Chittagong during 1996–2001. During this period, Professor Mannan also served as the Chairman of the Association of Universities of Bangladesh and the Executive Committee and Council Member of the Association of Commonwealth Universities, London. He was awarded the prestigious Mercantile Bank Gold Medal in 2012 and UNESCO Medal in the field of education in Bangladesh in same year, and the Australian Association of Business Leadership award in 2016. Professor Mannan has extensively published research articles in national and international journals, and so far has published more than twelve books.



**Bong Joo Lee, PhD**, is Professor of Social Welfare at Seoul National University. Before joining to the faculty of SNU, he had taught at Boston University School of Social Work and University of Chicago. His research focuses on child indicators, child poverty, child welfare, and social service reform issues. Dr. Lee led many development projects of innovative social welfare service programs in Korea. One of the projects is 'We Start' model, which is a targeted early human capital investment neighbourhood program to combat intergenerational transmission of poverty and inequality in Korea. He is Editor-in-Chief of *Child Indicators Research*, an international journal on child indicators. He is also on the editorial boards of *Child Abuse & Neglect*, *Asian Social Work and Policy Review*, *Journal of Asian Pacific Social Work and Development*, and *International Journal of Social Welfare*.



**TAN, Ngoh Tiong, PhD**, is a Professor and Former Dean of S R Nathan School of Social Development, Singapore University of Social Sciences. He had been engaged as the Professor of Social Work in Augsburg College, MN, USA and as Associate Professor in National University of Singapore. He received several prestigious awards and the most significant ones are Pioneer Social Worker Award 2017, International Consortium for Social Development AP Presidential Award, 2016 and President Scout Award, 1973.



**Profulla C. Sarker, PhD**, is currently Vice Chancellor of Royal University of Dhaka. Dr. Sarker was Pro-Vice Chancellor of European University of Bangladesh and Vice Chancellor of Prime University, Dhaka. He was Professor and former Chairman in the Department of Social Work of Rajshahi University. Dr. Sarker was Professor of Social Work and Social Administration, Chairman of Teachers' Students' Relations' Committee, Director of the Institute for Cross-cultural Studies and Dean in the Division of Social Science and Humanities of Hong Kong Baptist University- Beijing Normal University, UIC, China. Moreover, he was a Senior Policy Advisor of National Food Security and

Surveillance of Project of Bangladesh Government and European Commission. Professor Sarker was consultant of UNICEF on Child Survival project in 1991-93 and WHO on Health City project in 1993-95. He is the author of sixteen books and more than ninety two articles published in professional journals.



**Jitti Mongkolnchaiarunya, PhD**, is the Dean of Puey Ungphakorn School of Development Studies, Thammasat University, Thailand. He has wide exposure to social change arena as being a manager of development projects, research & teaching faculty, administrator, and policy formulation facilitator. His experiences cover grassroot empowerment for self-reliance and movement, food security, sustainable energy and environment, social and community welfare. He is also a board of directors of various public organizations i.e. National Health Security Office and Land Bank Administration Institute.



**Mubarak Rahamathulla, PhD**, is a Senior Lecturer in Social Work at Flinders University, Adelaide, South Australia. His areas of research interests include social work education, workplace competence of professional social workers, child safety issues in cyberspace, cyber bullying, technology addiction and mental health. He has been a member of International Consortium for Social Development since 2015 and he is the Treasurer of International Consortium for Social Development – Asia Pacific Branch.



**Sarath Gamlath, PhD**, a professional social work practitioner, is currently attached to the Department of Sociology, University of Peradeniya in Sri Lanka as a Senior Lecturer in Social Work and Social Development.



**Sirojudin Abbas, PhD**, is a researcher and public policy consultant at Saiful Mujani Research and Consulting (SMRC) a political and public policy think-tank organisation, based in Jakarta, Indonesia. He advises Indonesian member of parliaments, political parties, and government officials on subjects related to rural development, social protection and political implications of particular policy choices. Currently, he is member of the ICSD and serves as Secretary and board member at large for the ICSD-Asia Pacific.



**Hosne Ara Begum, PhD**, is Ashoka Fellow who founded Thengamara Mohila Sabuj Sangha (TMSS), an NGO in Bangladesh in 1980. This is a women-oriented leading Bangladeshi organization, operating in all of the 64 districts of Bangladesh and working for alleviation of poverty, empowerment of women, improvement of socio-economic infrastructure, and capacity building in information and communication technology (ICT). Hosne Ara completed her M.Sc. in Botany from Rajshahi University.